

Surah 111 Surah Lahab

THE FLAME

THE LINK AND SUMMARY OF THE SURAH

Allaah already made it clear that the *Kuffaar* should be ignored if they refuse to take heed after numerous attempts to persuade them to believe. Allaah will still grant victory to the Muslims and destroy the *Kuffaar*. *Surah Lahab* now describes how a particular *Kaafir* was destroyed.

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ
رُتَّةَ الْهَبِ بِكَيْتٍ وَهِيَ خَمْسُ آيَاتٍ

In the name of Allaah, the Most Compassionate, the Most Merciful.

تَبَّتْ يَدَايَ إِلَى لَهَبٍ وَتَبَّ ۝

1. (Abu Lahab was the brother of Rasulullaah ﷺ's father. He and his wife were among the staunchest opponents of Islam and should take every opportunity to harass Rasulullaah ﷺ. When he once cursed Rasulullaah ﷺ, Allaah revealed this Surah saying,) **May the hands of Abu Lahab be shattered (broken) and may he be destroyed.**

مَا أَغْنَىٰ عَنْهُ مَالُهُ وَمَا كَسَبَ ۝

2. **Neither his wealth nor the things he earned shall benefit him** (when he faces the terrible punishment of the *Aakhirah*).

سَيَصْلَىٰ نَارًا ذَاتَ لَهَبٍ ۝

3. **He shall soon enter the flaming fire** (of *Jahannam*)...

وَأَمْرَأَتُهُ حَمَّالَةَ الْحَطَبِ ۝

4. ...and his wife (Umm Jamil) as well. (Evil is) **That woman (his wife) who carries firewood bound together with twisted rope.** (This refers to her evil act of collecting thorny branches to place in the path of Rasulullaah ﷺ to cause him harm.)

فِي جِيدِهَا حَبْلٌ مِّن مَّسَدٍ ۝

5. (In retribution) **Around her neck (in *Jahannam*) shall be (the same) twisted rope (a yoke)!**